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## GARBANZO PRODUCTION DOWN,

## MAINLY IN INDIA

Garbanzo production in 18 reporting countries totaled 128 million bags (100 pounds each) in 1964. This was 14 percent below 1963 and 15 percent below the 1955-59 average.

Garbanzo production is centered in India and countries west thereof through the Middle East and Mediterranean Basin. Production in many small producing countries in the Mediterranean Basin and the Middle East is not reported, however.

The decline of 1964 garbanzo production reflects principally the situation in India where 77 percent of the total reported production occurs. The decline is also reflected in the 4 garbanzo producing countries of Southern Europe.

Increased production was reported generally in South America and Africa, but these were more than offset by the decreases in Europe and much more than offset in India.

India's production was down 16 percent in 1964 from 1963 and 21 percent below the 1955-59 average. Pakistan, the world's second largest producer reports a 10 percent decline from 1963, but a 13 percent increase from the 1955-59 average.

Garbanzos are also known as chickpeas. They are a high-protein pulse crop which has been raised and consumed in the sub-continent and Middle East for centuries.

GARBANZOS (CHICKPEAS), DRY EDIBLE: Acreage and production in specified countries, average 1955-59, annual 1963 and 1964

| Continent and country                                                        | Acreage            |               | Yield per acre |                    | Production |                    |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------|---------------|----------------|--------------------|------------|--------------------|
|                                                                              | Average<br>1955-59 | 1963          | 1964 1/        | Average<br>1955-59 | 1963       | Average<br>1955-59 |
| <b>Americas:</b>                                                             |                    |               |                |                    |            |                    |
| Argentina                                                                    | 18                 | 12            | 17             | 883                | 900        | 159                |
| Chile                                                                        | 25                 | 28            | 27             | 439                | 392        | 108                |
| Colombia                                                                     | 3/                 | 15            | 3/             | 585                | 605        | 35                 |
| Mexico                                                                       | 331                | 390           | 390            | 692                | 768        | 2,293              |
| Peru                                                                         | 47                 | 41            | 75             | 842                | 1,160      | 402                |
| United States                                                                | 3/                 | 6             | 3/             | 750                | 1,000      | 60                 |
| Venezuela                                                                    | 21                 | 23            | 25             | 758                | 434        | 161                |
| <b>Total</b>                                                                 | <b>456</b>         | <b>515</b>    | <b>555</b>     | <b>706</b>         | <b>764</b> | <b>3,218</b>       |
| <b>Europe:</b>                                                               |                    |               |                |                    |            |                    |
| Greece                                                                       | 64                 | 121           | 90             | 546                | 270        | 350                |
| Italy                                                                        | 221                | 164           | 161            | 440                | 588        | 972                |
| Portugal                                                                     | 121                | 161           | 152            | 335                | 265        | 406                |
| Spain                                                                        | 685                | 605           | 573            | 446                | 515        | 3,057              |
| <b>Total</b>                                                                 | <b>1,091</b>       | <b>1,051</b>  | <b>976</b>     | <b>439</b>         | <b>460</b> | <b>4,785</b>       |
| <b>Asia:</b>                                                                 |                    |               |                |                    |            |                    |
| India                                                                        | 23,625             | 22,678        | 22,838         | 527                | 519        | 124,406            |
| Lebanon                                                                      | 5                  | 2             | 3/             | 491                | 625        | 24                 |
| Pakistan                                                                     | 3,168              | 3,151         | 2,879          | 396                | 498        | 12,540             |
| Syria                                                                        | 71                 | 77            | 77             | 329                | 489        | 234                |
| Turkey                                                                       | 208                | 203           | 216            | 911                | 947        | 1,896              |
| <b>Total</b>                                                                 | <b>27,077</b>      | <b>26,111</b> | <b>26,014</b>  | <b>514</b>         | <b>520</b> | <b>139,100</b>     |
| <b>Africa:</b>                                                               |                    |               |                |                    |            |                    |
| Ethiopia                                                                     | 3/                 | 3/            | 3/             | 525                | 550        | 2,998              |
| Morocco                                                                      | 110                | 198           | 207            | 351                | 526        | 386                |
| <b>Total</b>                                                                 | <b>680</b>         | <b>843</b>    | <b>852</b>     | <b>498</b>         | <b>547</b> | <b>3,384</b>       |
| <b>Grand total</b>                                                           | <b>29,304</b>      | <b>28,520</b> | <b>28,397</b>  | <b>514</b>         | <b>523</b> | <b>150,487</b>     |
| <b>1/ Preliminary. 2/ 100 pound bags. 3/ Estimated. 4/ Two-year average.</b> |                    |               |                | <b>452</b>         | <b>452</b> | <b>149,114</b>     |
|                                                                              |                    |               |                |                    |            | <b>128,482</b>     |

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